

Hot Air



Message from the President

March 2018

February decided to bring a few days of winter weather. Unfortunately, they fell on the days I was trying to get out and fly. I can't really complain, since there are very few days throughout the year when flying something isn't possible.

If you haven't already done so, please take the time to submit your 2018 PSF application and filed fees to Don. All fees are the same as last year. Don will have the paperwork at the March 7th meeting, so come on out and take care of business. If you can't make it, all of the forms can be obtained from [our website](#).

Jerry Lake has served as club vice-president for many years and has migrated back to wet fuel flying. Jerry is a true craftsman and takes on some complex projects. Over the past year, he has built a few planes for himself and others and completed a steam-powered tug boat. Jerry prefers to build from plans and kits. His construction is flawless. I hope you enjoy the photos of obht these projects included here. They show a lot of detail, but don't really do these projects justice.

If you have a project that you are working on and would like to share your progress, bring it to the meeting this Wednesday, or submit notes and photos to be included in a future newsletter. Everyone enjoys hearing about the adventures of other members.

Our agreement to use Entradero Park is in place for 2018. All rules previously agreed to for flying at the park are unchanged. Come to the meeting, if you would like to hear the details of this year's negotiations.

The Little League has started their 2018 season. Games will be played weekday evenings and Saturdays. The Refinery (our field) is working to schedule weekend tournaments. Some Sunday mornings may be available for flying. We are into the busy part of the baseball season. Be flexible if you head to the field to fly and find baseball activities ongoing. Remember that our rules prohibit flying if baseball is being played/practiced at any of the fields at the park.

Next Meeting

March 7th
La Romeria Park
7:30pm

Please contact a club officer if there are any issues with gate or field access. Remember that only club officers can distribute the combinations to club members.

There will not be a Fun-Fly at Entradero Park in the month of March. However, this month's Del Cerro Fun Fly will be held Saturday, March 10th. Guys usually start arriving between 12:00 and 1:00. The forecast for the weekend is for light winds to 6-8mph out of the South with a chance of rain. If this forecast is accurate, we won't be flying.

Upcoming Fun-Flys

Del Cerro	March 10th
Entradero	None

I hope to see you at the meeting Wednesday the 7th at 7:30 or at one of the fields. Don't forget to renew your Peninsula Silent Flyers membership.

All the best,
Jeff



Jerry's Tugboat Project

Your'e looking at the first time I fired up the steam engine in my tugboat. It runs on methyl alcohol and the burner heats a boiler that makes steam to drive the two cylinder engine behind the boiler. It is radio controlled with throttle, rudder, fwd/rev and emergency burner shutdown. I also have a smoke generator to enhance the stack exhaust.

The smokestack is lined with a drain pipe from a kitchen sink setup. I was happy that nothing caught fire. It looks like it's about time to terrorize the ducks at a local lake.

The boat is about 4 feet long and weighs 45 to 50 pounds with ballast. It is all wood and I built it from a kit. I got the steam engine separately from a company in Japan. The kit wasn't meant for steam power but I finally got it all stuffed inside. Don't ask how much it all cost.... It's named the J Miles (Miles is my middle name).

Jerry





Jerry's Smoothie Project

Here are some pictures of the Smoothie I've been building for the last three months. It's powered by a Desert Aircraft 35cc and weighs 16 pounds with balance weight. The wingspan is 85 inches.

As Dave likes to say, I started with a 'box of sticks' from Balsa USA.

The open areas are covered with Solartex while the solid portions have a fiberglass resin based finish. I painted it with Rustoleum sprayed from rattle cans.

I'm going to look at it for a while before the first flight.

Jerry





March Modeling Meets in California

3/2/2018 - 3/4/2018 -- Thermal, CA (AA) COACHELLA VALLEY-PALM SPRINGS IMAC. Site: Club Field. Darrell Morgan CD PH: 7608804939 Email: darrellmorgan79@yahoo.com. Visit: cvrclub.com/. Sanction #18/402. Sponsor: COACHELLA VALLEY RC CLUB

3/10/2018 -- Corona, CA (C) 3D FUN FLY. Site: Club Field. Pablo Romero CD PH: Email: thunderbirds84@yahoo.com. Sanction #18/618. Sponsor: CORONA RC CLUB

3/11/2018 -- Perris, CA (A) 14TH ANNUAL TAIBI CONTEST. Site: Scamp Ff Site. Tedson Firster CD PH: 951-830-0414 Email: civyboy31@aol.com. Sanction #18/436. Sponsor: SCAMPS

3/17/2018 - 3/18/2018 -- Hemet, CA (AA) HARRY GOULD MEMORIAL PATTERN CONTEST. Site: Club Field. William Wallace CD PH: 951-246-2061 Email: bandagbilly@yahoo.com. Sanction #18/406. Come to the nicest flying field in So. Cal. All classes flown, awards through 3rd place. Lunch will be served for a nominal fee. Overnight camping allowed - no hook-ups. Questions - call B Wallace 951-385-2605. Sponsor: HEMET MODEL MASTERS

3/17/2018 -- Lake Balboa, CA (C) VALLEY FLYER FUN FLY. Site: Apollo XI Field. Robert Smith CD PH: 661-298-2614 Email: bobthesmith2003@yahoo.com. Visit: valleyflyers.club. Sanction #18/365. Another opportunity to fly safe in a controlled environment. Lunch provided at a nominal fee. Sponsor: SAN FERNANDO VALLEY RC FLYERS, INC

3/17/2018 - 3/19/2018 -- Lost Hills, CA (A) SCAT ANNUAL. Site: Lost Hills. Jim Parker CD PH: 818-404-3834 Email: n89015@aol.com. Sanctino #18/928. Events; 108-109, 124, 140, 142, 150-155, 158-159, 165, 504 CAT I (JSO). An American Cup and National Cup contest. No Moto Flapping! LHFFA membership required. Sponsor: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AERO TEAM

3/18/2018 -- Azusa, CA (A) THERMAL SOARING 444. Site: 3870 Encanto Pkwy. James Smith CD PH: 323.737.5884 Email: jrobertsmith@att.net. Sanction #18/771. Event 444 (JSO). Sponsor: SILENT WINGS SOARING ASSOC

3/18/2018 -- Perris, CA (AMA record Trial) SAN DEIGO RECORD TRIALS. Site: Scamps Field. Don Bartick CD PH: 858.774.2941 Email: dbartick@4-warddesign.com. Visit: sandiegorbiteers.com. Sanction #18/409. Record Trials for FIG Coupe, AMA Gas, E-36, Hand launched Glider & Catapult Glider. Sponsor: SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS

3/24/2018 - 3/25/2018 -- Bakersfield, CA (C) DSM 26 SPRING SEASON OPENER. Site: Club Field. Richard Fischer CD PH: 805-489-4078 Email: samreflier@verizon.net. Sanction #18/435. Ten basic SAM R/C events will be flown, plus 7 SAM R/C special events. Sponsor: SAM 26

3/24/2018 -- Riverside, CA (D) RIVERSIDE AIRSHOW. Site: 6951 Flight Rd. Pablo Romero CD PH: Email: thunderbirds84@yahoo.com. Sanction #18/617. Location; Riverside Airport. Sponsor: CORONA RC CLUB

3/24/2018 - 3/25/2018 -- S El Monte, CA (C) DINNIS LYON MEMORIAL PYLON RACE. Site: Whittier Narrows. Paul Timpano CD PH: 562.631-8936 Email: rpmtimpano@verizon.net. Visit: sgvrcl.org. Sanction #18/898. Events; 424, 422, 426 Class. 2 one-day \$25 per class. 1/2 Day practice Friday the 23rd . \$6 Park Entrance Fee. Lunch will be available to all. Sponsor: WESTERN STATES MODELERS ASSOCIATION INC

*Remember it's membership renewal time.
Please renew at the monthly meeting or
download the membership packet from our
[website](#). Thanks!*